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EUROPE AND THE ALLIANCE

SUMMARY: OVER LONG TERM, WE THINK THE HARD CHOICE MADE BY
EUROPEANS IN THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE WILL HAVE GOOD
EFFECT ON US/EUROPE RELATIONS AND ON INTERNAL EC DEVELOPMENT.
WASHINGTON CONFRONTATION SHOULD CERTAINLY ASSIST OUR WORK IN
DUBLIN. IN SHORT TERM, HOWEVER, CONFRONTATION BETWEEN FRENCH
AND OTHER EC MEMBERS WILL BE INCONVENIENT BOTH FOR EUROPE AND
U.S. END SUMMARY.

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1. OVER SHORT TERM, THE CONFRONTATION BETWEEN FRANCE AND ITS
EC PARTNERS HAS CREATED SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITHIN EC AND FOR US/
EUROPE RELATIONS. AT BEST, INTERNAL EC PROBLEMS WILL REMAIN
SERIOUS FOR MONTHS, AND MAY REACH FULL-SCALE CRISIS IF FRENCH DO

NOT COOL OFF. IRISH EXPECT THAT EC WILL BE NEARLY PARALYZED, BOTH
FOR INTERNAL BUSINESS AND ON SUBJECTS OF IMPORTANCE TO U.S.

2. IT IS INCONVIENT, BUT NOT A TRAGEDY, THAT THERE SHOULD BE
TEMPORARY PARALYSIS IN INSTITUTIONS THAT WERE ALREADY WORKING VERY
BADLY. LOOKING TO LONG TERM, WE THINK IT WAS USEFUL FOR EUROPEANS
TO MAKE THEIR PAINFUL CHOICE BETWEEN THE TWO FONCLITING#
OPTIONS FOR EUROPEAN DEVELO
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